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CENTRALLY SPO SPONSORED SCHEMES UNDER DPEP
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of centrally sponsored schemes in operation under the District Primary Education Programme in the country;

(b) whether the Tribal Autonomous Districts and Regions under the Programme; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI JAYSINGRAO GAIKWAD PATIL)

(a) : District Primary Education Programme (DPEP) itself s a Centrally Sponsored Scheme. I t is presently operational in 219 selected educationally backward districts of 15 States, namely Assam, Haryana, Karnataka,Kerala, Maharashtra, Tamil Nadu, Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat, Himachal Pradesh, Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan under various phases of the programme.

(b) & (d) : Under the DPEP guidelines, all districts in the country fulfilling the criteria of,
(i) Educationally Backward districts with female literacy rate below the nation al average, and
(ii) Districts where Total Literacy Campaigns (TLCs) have been successful, leading to enhanced demand for elementary education, are eligible for consideration for coverage under the programme. However, DPEP is an externally funded programme and therefore, inclusion of particular districts under the programme depends upon the offer of assistance from the external funding agencies. At present, only the Karbi Anglong district of Assam, administered by the Autonomous District Council, is covered under DPEP and the programme is being executed through the State level Implementation society.